

**Date:** 08/04/2010 02:20 PM  
**From:** Bonita Lavelle/R8/USEPA/US  
**To:** Ted Linnert  
**Cc:** Victor Ketellapper, rsloan  
**Subject:** Fw: tree bark and risk assessment

---

Hi Ted

I called Jule back and she would like to talk to me about the tree bark work in OU3. I'd like to have a CIC there during the interview. Are you available for a call with Jule Thursday at 1 PM? It would help me a lot. thanks.

If 1 PM doesn't work, is there another time?

Bonnie

----- Forwarded by Bonita Lavelle/R8/USEPA/US on 08/04/2010 02:17 PM -----

From: Jule Banville <jule@newwest.net>  
To: Bonita Lavelle/R8/USEPA/US@EPA  
Date: 07/30/2010 10:34 AM  
Subject: tree bark and risk assessment

---

Hi Bonnie,

Recently I spoke at length and took a look at the research done by both Tony Ward's team from UM and the EPA regarding tree bark studies in and around Libby. I'm writing about it for NewWest.net, which is a news a culture site covering issues important to the intermountain West. I understand that I will likely need to talk to a public relations person, but, truly, I'd also like to talk with you about your work at OU3. Specifically, I'm interested in the agency's plan to understand the risk to people who burn contaminated wood, chop it, stack it, etc. I'm looking for an expansion of your comments in this article:

[http://thewesternnews.com/news/article\\_66db24f6-800a-11df-9f1a-001cc4c002e0.html](http://thewesternnews.com/news/article_66db24f6-800a-11df-9f1a-001cc4c002e0.html)

Tony advised I talk with you as a person familiar with this issue.

Very much looking forward to hearing from you.

Take care,  
Jule

--

Jule Banville  
NewWest.net  
Editor  
406.829.1725